









**COMMERCIAL**

**CLOSING QUOTATIONS.**  
PRICES 30th December  
EXCHANGE.

**Or LONDON.**  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1/11  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/11  
Bank Bills, at 3 months sight ..... 1/11  
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight ..... 1/11  
Credits, at 4 months sight ..... 1/11  
Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight ..... 2/00  
Paris .....  
Bank Bills, on demand .....  
Credits, at 3 months sight .....  
**Or GERMANY.**  
On demand .....  
New York .....  
Bank Bills, on demand .....  
Credits, 60 days .....  
**Or BOMBAY.**  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1/11  
Bank, on sight .....  
**Or CALCUTTA.**  
Telegraphic Transfer .....  
Bank, on sight .....  
**Or SHANGHAI.**  
Bank, at sight .....  
Private, 30 days sight .....  
**Or YOKOHAMA.**  
On demand .....  
**Or MAKILA.**  
On demand .....  
**Or SINGAPORE.**  
On demand .....  
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate, 1049  
(GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael) ..... \$2.50

**JOINT STOCK SHARES.**

COMPANY. PAID UP. QUOTATIONS.

Bank of China & Ind. 1/25 1/33, 2/00  
China & Japan, pref. 1/25 nominal  
Do. ordinary 2/4 2/1  
Do. deferred 2/1 1/5, 2/00  
Nail, Bank of China 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
B. Shares 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Foua, Shares 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Bull's Head & Co. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Central Bank & Co. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
China Prov. L. & M. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
China Sugar 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Cotton Mills 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
International 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Luen Kung & Co. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong & Shanghai 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Yehong 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Dairy Farm 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Fongwah & Co. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Green Island Cement 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Do. New Issue 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
H. K. Railway 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong & C. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong Electric 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
H. H. L. Tramways 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong Hotel 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong Ice 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
H. & K. Wharf & Co. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
H. & W. Lee & Co. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Insurance 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Canton 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
China & Japan 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
China Transfer 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong Fire 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
North-China 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong & C. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Union 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Yongwah 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Land and Building 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Hongkong Land & Inv. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Humphreys Estate 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Kowloon Land 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Kowloon Hotel 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Latten Sugar 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Mining 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Charbonnages 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Celebu 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Queens Mill Ltd. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Walter's Mines, Ltd. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Pangloss 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Do. Preference 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
New Amoy Dock 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Steamship Corp. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
China and Manila 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
China & Japan 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Do. Preference 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Do. Do. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Kowloon Steamship 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
H. Canton and S. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Indo-China S. N. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Star Ferry 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Tehran Trading Co. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
United Asiatic 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Wandui 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
Walter & Co. A. S. 2/5 1/5, 2/00  
J. Y. V. VENNIN, Broker.

**THE WEATHER.**

On the 29th at 1125 a.m. The barometer has risen in the North, and remains almost steady in the South. From the North a cold wind is blowing, and the temperature of the China Sea. Gradual advance to rather sharp frost on the morning of the 30th. The temperature of the China Sea. Forecast—From the North, a cold wind.

**HONGKONG STEAMSHIP SERVICE.**

Destination	Provisions (in date)	On date	On date
	day 1 p.m.	day 2 p.m.	day 3 p.m.
Bombay	30th	31st	1st
Panama	30th	31st	1st
Hankow	30th	31st	1st
Force	30th	31st	1st
Wing	30th	31st	1st
Wing	30th	31st	1st

Highest open air temperature on the 29th  
Lowest open air temperature on the 29th  
Highest open air temperature on the 30th  
Lowest open air temperature on the 30th  
Highest open air temperature on the 31st  
Lowest open air temperature on the 31st  
Highest open air temperature on the 1st  
Lowest open air temperature on the 1st

Hongkong Observatory, 30th December, 1897.

**SUN TAT LOONG.**

隆 德 新

TIN MEATS, DEALER IN, FINEST TEA, FOWLS, ETC.

QUALITY EXCELLENT. PRICES MODERATE.

No. 14, Queen's Road East, Hongkong.

—Hong Kong and Canton 1897.

YEE SANG & CO.

COAL MERCHANTS.

Large Stock of Best Quality of COAL.

—Hong Kong and Canton 1897.

QUAN WAH & CO.

DRAGERS IN.

AMERICAN, ITALIAN, CHINESE, JAPANESE, MONUMENTS, TABLES, CHINA, AND ABERDEEN (SPECIAL) POLISHED GRANITE MONUMENTS.

NUMEROUS COLOURED AND WHITE (SPECIAL) FURNITURE GRATES, ETC.

—HONGKONG.

DESIGNS & PRICES ON APPLICATION.

At No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1897.

**FOR SALE.**

CARMICHAEL & BARLOW.

Consulting Engineers and Surveyors.

15, PRINCE STREET, AND 3, DOUGLAS LANE.

NEW AND SECOND HAND LAUNCHES.

FOR SALE.

DESIGNS and Specifications for all classes of Steamships, Launches a specialty. New work and repairs supervised. Telegrams, "CARMICHAEL," Hongkong. Telephone, No. 111.

J. B. CARMICHAEL.

B. J. BARLOW.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1897.

**RUINAUT PERE & FILS, REIMS.**

Established 1719.

CHAMPAGNE, BOTTLEDERS & SHIPPERS.

Ship only the Finest Quality Extra Dry CHAMPAGNE & LAUTS, Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 17th Jan, 1898.

**FOR SALE.**

CHARLES HEIDECCK'S

CHAMPAGNE, 1898, (WITH SEAL).

\$62.25 per case of dozen quarts.

\$35.50 per case of dozen quarts.

ED. KRESSMANN & CO'S

RED AND WHITE

BORDEAUX WINES.

C. G. HIBBERT & CO'S

BOTTLED LIE & STOUT.

SIEMSEN

Hongkong, 4th September, 1897.



